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SUBJECT: GON POSITION ON ERW

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1. THE STORTING DEBATE ON DISARMAMENT (REF A) IS NOW TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 6 OR 7, ALTHOUGH STORTING SOURCES TELL US THAT IT COULD BE DELAYED FURTHER.

2. THE ERW IS ONE OF A NUMBER OF DISARMAMENT ISSUES SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION AT PRESENT. ERW DOES NOT FIGURE TO BE CENTRAL TO THE DEBATE AND IS SLATED TO BE DEALT WITH IN A DISCUSSION OF THE GENERAL NEED FOR DISARMAMENT AND ARMS CONTRL. IN RECENT DAYS HOWEVER, THERE HAVE APPEARED A NUMBER OF EDITORIALS IN THE NON-SOCIALIST PRESS DECRYING THE ERW WEAPON. OPPOSITION TO THE ERW IS NOW EVIDENT WITHIN BOTH SOCIALIST AND NON-SOCIALIST ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION.

3. THE POSSIBILITY OF NORWEGIAN PERMREP VIBE REMAINING SILENT AT THE NAC ERW MEETING APPEARED SLIM AT THE TIME
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OF AMBASSADOR LERNER'S MARCH 18 CONVERSATION WITH MFA POLITICAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR CHRISTIANSEN (REF C). WE WERE INTERESTED IN BONN'S SUBSEQUENT REPORT THAT THE DUTCH MIGHT BE ABLE TO REMAIN SILENT (BONN 05006). IF TRUE, AND IF VIBE AND THE MFA CAN BE MADE AWARE OF IT, THIS MIGHT IMPROVE THE CHANCES OF VIBE BEING ALLOWED TO MAINTAIN BENEVOLENT SILENCE ON THE US PROPOSAL.

4. ANY GON CONSIDERATION OF CHANGE IN VIBE'S INSTRUCTIONS WOULD, ALMOST CERTAINLY, HAVE TO AWAIT FRYDENLUND'S MARCH 28 RETURN FROM CHINA. IT WOULD ALSO BE SUBJECT TO A GON READING OF POPULAR OPINION. AT PRESENT THE PUBLIC, INFLUENCED TO SOME EXTENT BY NEW REPORTS FROM THE NETHERLANDS, APPEARS TO HAVE A GREATER INTEREST IN AND, UNFORTUNATELY, MORE NEGATIVE VIEW OF ERW.
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